

**Public Chapter 448**

HOUSE BILL NO. 654

By Representatives Sargent, Westmoreland

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 1275

By Senators Jordan, Crowe

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-3-527, relative to certain facilities providing child care.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-3-527(a), is amended by deleting the word "The" in the first sentence and by substituting instead the language "Except as provided in subsection (g), the".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-3-527(c), is amended by deleting the word "The" in the first sentence and by substituting instead the language "Except as provided in subsection (g), the".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-3-527(g), is amended by adding the following language at the end of the subsection:

When a parent, custodian or guardian initially registers a child with exempt programs under subsections (a) and (c) which are required to post a sign pursuant to this subsection, the parent, custodian or guardian shall sign a form indicating that the parent, custodian or guardian has been advised and understands that the program is not licensed and is not required to be licensed by the State of Tennessee as a child-caring agency. The same language which is required to be placed on the sign shall be printed on such form at least in 16 point type with a signature line for the parent, custodian or guardian immediately following such language. The signed form shall be maintained with the records required to be kept as provided in subsection (c).

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 1997, the public welfare requiring it.